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1. MY TALK WITH AZIZ AHMED THIS MORNING WAS RATHER BRIEF AS WE HAD PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED ALL ASPECTS OF THEIR MILITARY SUPPLY PROBLEM. ALSO HE WAS JUST BACK FROM HIS MIDDLE EAST TRIP AND IN THE PROCESS OF PREPARING TO GO TO KABUL.

2. AZIZ AHMED STUDIED CAREFULLY MY LETTER TO BHUTTO RE UPGRADING TANKS CONTAINED IN ISLAMABAD 1022, AND MORE HURRIEDLY READ MY AIDE MEMOIRE ON RADAR EQUIPMENT CONTAINED IN ISLAMABAD 1023.

3. HE SAID THERE WERE SOME ASPECTS OF MY LETTER TO BHUTTO THAT PLEASED HIM AND THAT IT PROBABLY REPRESENTED A SMALL STEP FORWARD. HIS MAIN CONCER, HOWEVER, WAS OUR INABILITY TO HELP THEM EITHER THROUGH GRANTS OR LONG TERM CREDITS. I EXPLAINED THAT WE JUST DID NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO GO ANY FURTHER THAN AS INDICATED IN MY

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LETTER. HE SAID HE DID NOT SEE HOW PAKISTAN COULD AFFORD



5. THE MAIN POINT AZIZ AHMED MADE ABOUT MY AIDE MEMOIRE ON RADAR EQUIPMENT WAS THE DISPARITY OF TREATMENT OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN IN THIS FIELD, AS INDIA WAS GETTING FMS CREDIT. I POINTED OUT OF COURSE THAT THAT WAS AN ARRANGEMENT MADE IN 1968 WHEN WE DID HAVE SUCH CREDIT CAPABILITY. I ALSO EMPHASIZED AGAIN THAT THIS WAS PART OF A CLEAN-UP PACKAGE WHICH ALSO INCLUDED PROVISION OF APC'S FOR PAKISTAN.

6. I POINTED OUT THAT OUR REPLIES WERE FAR FROM BEING TOTALLY NEGATIVE, AS FROM A POLICY POINT OF VIEW WE WERE SAYING THAT THEY COULD GO RIGHT AHEAD AND WE WOULD TRY TO BE HELPFUL IN THE PROCESS. THE INDIANS WOULD, OF COURSE, PROBABLY SCREAM OVER THE TANK DEAL AS THEY WERE IN THE HABIT OF COMPLAINING FROM TIME TO TIME THAT PAKISTAN TANKS WERE IN FACT BEING UPGRADED IN IRAN. WE HAD TAKEN THAT ALL INTO CONSIDERATION AND HAD SAID, "GO AHEAD." AZIZ AHMED AGREED THAT OUR REPLY WAS NOT TOTALLY NEGATIVE AND THAT IF THEY HAD FUNDS OF THEIR OWN IT WOULD BE VERY GOOD INDEED.

7. I HAVE A FEELING THAT THEY WILL PROBABLY JUST FORGET THE RADAR EQUIPMENT PROJECT. I DO NOT KNOW, OF COURSE, WHAT BHUTTO MAY DECIDE TO DO ON THE TANK QUESTION. THERE IS A CHANCE HE MAY FEEL THAT HE HAS TO MAKE THIS OUTLAY OF FUNDS, IF NO CREDIT CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE, BECAUSE OF THE FEELING IN HIS OWN MILITARY.

8. AZIZ AHMED GAVE ME A LENGTHY PAPER ON WHAT PAK INTELLIGENCE BELIEVES SOVIET MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO INDIA AMOUNTS TO SINCE 1965. HE ALSO GAVE ME ANOTHER LENGTHY PAPER OF REQUIREMENTS OF THE PAK MILITARY WHICH HE SAID HAD BEEN  
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MADE UP FOR BHUTTO TO LEAVE BEHIND IN THE WHITE HOUSE ON HIS RECENT VISIT. HE SAID THAT BHUTTO AT THE VERY LAST MINUTE DECIDED NOT TO PRESENT THE PAPER. WE HAVE NOT YET HAD TIME TO ANALYZE EITHER OF THESE DOCUMENTS.  
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